

MUST NOT EXCLUDE THE SOLDIER LADS

Movement on Foot to Compel Theatre Managers to Respect the Uniform.

CONGRESS TO PASS LAW SEQUEL TO A RECENT CASE AT NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Washington, March 26.—President Taft, as was President Roosevelt, is behind the awakening of the movement to compel theatre managers to respect the uniform of United States soldiers and sailors and not exclude them owing to their service clothes.

Congress has been called upon to enact a law making it a misdemeanor for theatre or amusement managers to exclude well-behaved soldiers or sailors owing to their dress. The measure, drafted by the law officers of the war and navy departments, provides a fine or imprisonment or both, in the discretion of the court, where the law is violated.

This measure has already passed the Senate and will undoubtedly go through the House, it will prevent enlisted men from being discriminated against in the District of Columbia or the territories; Congress having no jurisdiction in this respect in the separate states.

The uniform of enlisted men is not conspicuous and must be respected, and just because a man is a sailor or soldier in the service of the United States he is not to be denied admission to theatres after his ticket is purchased, and theatre managers must not be permitted to refuse to sell uniforms to enlisted men. It is an unjust discrimination and one that does little credit to the patriotic sentiments of this country," said Secretary of the Navy Meyer. Secretary of War Dickinson has similar views.

The Newport Case.

Two years ago public attention was attracted to the refusal of the management of the fashionable casino at Newport, R. I., to permit enlisted men of the navy to enter. President Roosevelt, learning of the matter, and finding that the government was powerless to compel the management to admit marines and sailors in uniform, subscribed \$100 to a fund raised by naval officers to bring civil suit for damages on behalf of the sailors who had been excluded. The suit, unfortunately, was lost.

The issue came to life recently when two sailors, holding tickets for a local vaudeville theatre, were stopped at the entrance, denied admission and given their money back. Several women, interested in patriotic societies, were witnesses of the incident and reported to Assistant Secretary of the Navy Bookman Winthrop. An investigation followed. The two sailors who had been humiliated by being turned down on account of their uniform told their story. The management frankly admitted that sailors in uniform would not be allowed to occupy seats. Two other sailors were sent to the playhouse to purchase tickets. This they did, but were also refused admittance. The manager of the playhouse was called to the navy department for examination. He admitted the practice, and was so extreme in his views that he told the assistant secretary he would refuse admittance to President Taft if he appeared at the entrance dressed in his walking clothes, heavy shoes and light gray sweater.

Government Powerless.

A careful search of the law books disclosed the fact that the government was powerless to force the manager to admit uniformed sailors and soldiers. The only recourse of the men who had been humiliated was a civil suit. This, with the Newport experience still fresh in mind, was thought to be useless. A bill was drafted. Senator Chamberlain took up the subject, and promised to have a law enacted that would cover the case.

There is no disposition on the part of navy department officials to let the matter rest where it is, particularly so far as the local vaudeville house manager is concerned. It is the intention to compel him to vacate the theatre he now occupies when the title to the land, which the government recently acquired as the site for the new department of state building, is proven. This will be some weeks hence. Under normal conditions the government would have permitted the theatre to remain where it is for at least several years longer, renting the building by the month. The manager has no suitable building to remove his vaudeville performance to and hence will be out of business for at least a year or more. The determination to make him leave what soon will be a government building is fixed. President Taft, it is said, has been advised of the program and is for the carrying of it out, without any consideration being shown the manager.

An Object Lesson.

"To throw him out of the building just as soon as the title passes, a matter of several weeks, will be the finest kind of an object lesson to people who believe that a man wearing the uniform of the United States army or navy is an inferior," declared Assistant Secretary Winthrop. "The uniform must be protected. It is strange, too,

State Society.

BINGHAM.

(Special to The Herald-Republican.) Bingham, March 26.—Miss Edith Klompstine was the guest of Miss Ella O'Brien at the Ivanhoe apartments in Salt Lake the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Horace Long, wife of the manager of the Miners' Mercantile store, has returned home from an extended visit to her former home in Washington, D. C. Upon her arrival she left for a short stay in Nevada.

Mrs. C. Bettles and son of Upper Bingham will be the guests of her mother, Mrs. John Rogers in Salt Lake during the coming week.

Prof. Howard Briggs of the University of Utah delivered an able lecture at Canyon hall Saturday evening on Gymnasium and School Libraries.

Due to the illness of C. L. Countryman the Neighborhood Whist club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Countryman at their home next Thursday evening, one week later than at first announced.

Postmaster C. H. Roberts has returned from Los Angeles, where he was called by the death of his wife.

William Brandon and family have moved to Lark, where he has accepted a position.

An Easter program will be rendered at the M. E. church tonight.

C. L. Countryman has been quite ill this week with an attack of la grippe.

Oquirrh lodge No. 17, K. of P., did initiatory work at their hall Friday evening.

Dr. J. K. Bracken and J. C. Dugan of Salt Lake were in camp the first part of the week looking after business interests.

Harold Baird is able to be on the street after a week's illness.

Master Clifford Mayer is on the sick list.

Dr. W. H. Woodring was at the capital this week.

A number of cases of whooping cough are reported at Apper-town.

Dr. W. H. Woodring has just purchased a new automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Heaton and daughter, Miss Nona, will return from Florida about the middle of next month, where they have spent the winter.

Mrs. F. E. Straup was a city sojourner this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lindolf of Upper Bingham are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Wilson are recent arrivals from Idaho.

Sam Treloar was in camp this week looking after mining interests.

Mrs. Grace Wegner, late of West Second North, wishes to announce to her customers and friends generally, that in entering upon her new location, at 36 K street, she has greater facilities, and is in a much more convenient position for the conducting of business than formerly. Dressmaking in all its branches, remodeling, plain sewing etc. at the usual moderate prices; children's clothing a specialty. In making the change of address, Mrs. Wegner trusts by dint of studious and painstaking attention, to the needs of her customers to justify a continuance of their patronage.

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Abbott—Crisis of the Revolution.

Drake—Austria-Hungary.

Fagan—Labor and the Railroads.

Fuller—Speakers of the House.

McMaster—History of the People of the United States, Vol. 7.

Morgan—Selected Readings.

National Association of Cement Users; Proceedings, five volumes.

Niles—Bound pamphlets (reference).

Pearson—Integrated Debates.

Rathbun—National Gallery of Art.

Roe—Ancient Coffers and Cupboards.

Stanton—Starry Universe.

the way theatre managers and some of our citizens look upon a sailor or soldier. In Germany and other countries sailors and soldiers who attend theatres are given tickets at one-third the cost of the general public. The uniform is not a disgrace in other countries and it is not a disgrace here. In time of war everyone is for the soldier and sailor. In time of peace, with in great majority it seems to be a different story.

So severe has been the treatment of enlisted men, when allowed periods of recreation from their ships or army posts, that it is not an uncommon thing for the officers, especially when soldiers are serving at a post near one of the large cities, to advise their men to secure civilian clothes. These, of course they cannot wear when in the post, but they keep them outside and when on leave or out on a pass, can change them and visit and mingle with their fellow Americans without fear of being insulted or denied admittance to theatres.

One of the regulations of the navy make it a serious offense, punishable by dismissal, for an enlisted man to bring civilian clothes aboard his ship or to be found with civilian clothes in his possession. The sailor does not have the same opportunity as has the soldier to have a place where he can change his clothing, when enjoying short liberty.

"The state legislatures should take the matter up," declared Assistant Secretary Winthrop. "I trust the question now raised will be kept alive until it is firmly settled that theatre managers shall not be allowed to discriminate against men who wear the country's uniform."



MISS WINNIE RHOADES

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Rhoades of San Francisco. Miss Rhoades, who is a former Salt Lake girl, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hutchinson in the city, and is receiving a great deal of social attention in society circles.

Strindberg—The Father.

Technical Press Index, 1908-1909 (reference).

Wright—France Illustrated, three volumes.

FICTION.

Goodwin—Up Grade.

Rickett—Beggars in the Heart.

Rives—Kingdom of Slender Swords.

Toupkins—Top of the Morning.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

Aspinwall—Can You Believe Me Stories.

Franklin—True Story of Benjamin Franklin.

Franklin—Boy's Catlin.

Davidson—Bunnies in Camp.

Denslow—When I Grow Up.

Harcourt—In the Line.

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Boric Acid, the pound..... 50c

Coke's Dandruff Cure, 50c size..... 43c

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Carbolic Acid, pint bottle..... 75c

La Blanche Face Powder..... 35c

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